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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Abstract in its entirety with the following amended paragraph:

The present invention is primarily directed to an appliance suitable for refreshing/cleaning cloth items in a refreshing/cleaning cycle, said appliance comprising a collapsible or expandable container that is made from a material that defines an interior void space, a container opening, a humidity provider, a heating element, at least one vent and/or filter, and an air circulation device, wherein said appliance further comprises a means-device to prevent accidental opening of the appliance's container by the user while a refreshing/cleaning cycle is running.